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Security Information

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TO AMBASSADOR GEORGE KENNAN FROM BEDELL SMITH

THANKS YOUR COMMENT ON NIE 53/1. WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE
FULL CRITIQUE ON SE 30 RE BERLIN AS SOON AS IT REACHES YOU.
YOU WILL NOTE STATE DEPARTMENT DISSENT FROM MAJORITY OPINION.
I PERSONALLY LEAN TOWARDS STATE DEPARTMENT VIEW AT LEAST INSOFAR
AS REGARDS ULTIMATE LONG-TERM ACTION OF KREMLIN TO WHAT THEY
MUST CONSIDER A CANCER IN THE VITALS OF COMMUNIST EAST GERMANY.
SEE PARAGRAPH 10 OF THE ESTIMATE.

DEPARTMENT HAS FURNISHED US COPIES YOUR MESSAGES ON
PSYCHOLOGICAL CAMPAIGN AND THEY HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL.
PLEASE CONTINUE.

WBSmith/dr

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